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6. On 10 February 1951, the Directorate General, Railroads, ordered the headquarters of all the railroad districts bordering on Berlin to dispatch all their mobile construction shops to Berlin immediately.

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the mobile construction shops will be used for track construction work on the southern bypass around Berlin.

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7. On 23 February 1951, it was learned that the southern section of the Berlin Outer Freight Ring is designed to be double-track. The Grossbeeren-Mahlow-Alt Glienicke line will be built first. Work on this line is already under way. In 1951, it will be possible to complete this line as far as the junction west of Alt Glienicke ultimately. It is planned to continue the line as far as the bridge across the Teltow Canal near the Adlershof railroad station. ***

* Comment: The railroad line under construction passes the Schoenefeld airfield to the south. This airfield, which is mainly used by Soviet commercial airlines, may be scheduled to be connected with the Berlin Outer Freight Ring.

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*** Comment: The target dates reported so far for the completion of the southern Berlin outer freight ring range from 1 May to 1 August 1951.

the project is scheduled to be completed by 31 July 1951. The fact that the project was classified as a first priority project makes it probable that this target date will be kept. However, it is assumed that further extensive work will be required after that date in order to make the line absolutely safe for operations.

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